

No plans for Puteri MCA at the moment

KANGAR: Wanita MCA has no plans of forming Puteri MCA just yet as it wants to first strengthen the women's wing by recruiting more young members.

Chairman Datuk Dr Ng Yen Yen said Wanita MCA now had 408,000 members nationwide, with only a small number aged 35 years and below.

"We do not see Puteri MCA as appropriate or relevant at the moment," she told reporters after opening the Perlis Wanita MCA delegates conference at Wisma MCA here on Thursday.

Dr Ng said the Wanita wing had a young women's bureau called Beliawanis MCA, which encouraged young women to play an active role in the party.

"During our Wanita MCA general assembly on Aug 26", we will also propose to the party leadership to amend the Wanita by-laws to allocate at least one committee member seat and one representative seat at branch, division, state and central level to members who are 35 years and below."

Dr Ng added that the move was also part of the wing's reformation efforts.

"People tend to think that Wanita members are all *ah soh* (aunties)," she said.